

REMARKS

Claims 31-43 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-30 have been canceled. No additional claims fee is believed to be due. Said pending claims are canceled without prejudice.

New Claims 31-43 have been added and substantially comply with Examiner's allowed claims of Paper 12 of July 7, 2001 and Paper 14 of March 5, 2002.

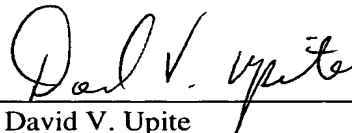
It is believed these changes do not involve any introduction of new matter. Consequently, entry of these changes is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested

Conclusion

In light of the above amendments, it is requested that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) and objection as to dependency. Early and favorable action in the case is respectfully requested.

Applicants have made an earnest effort to place their application in proper form. In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application, entry of the amendments presented herein, and allowance of Claims 31-43.

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